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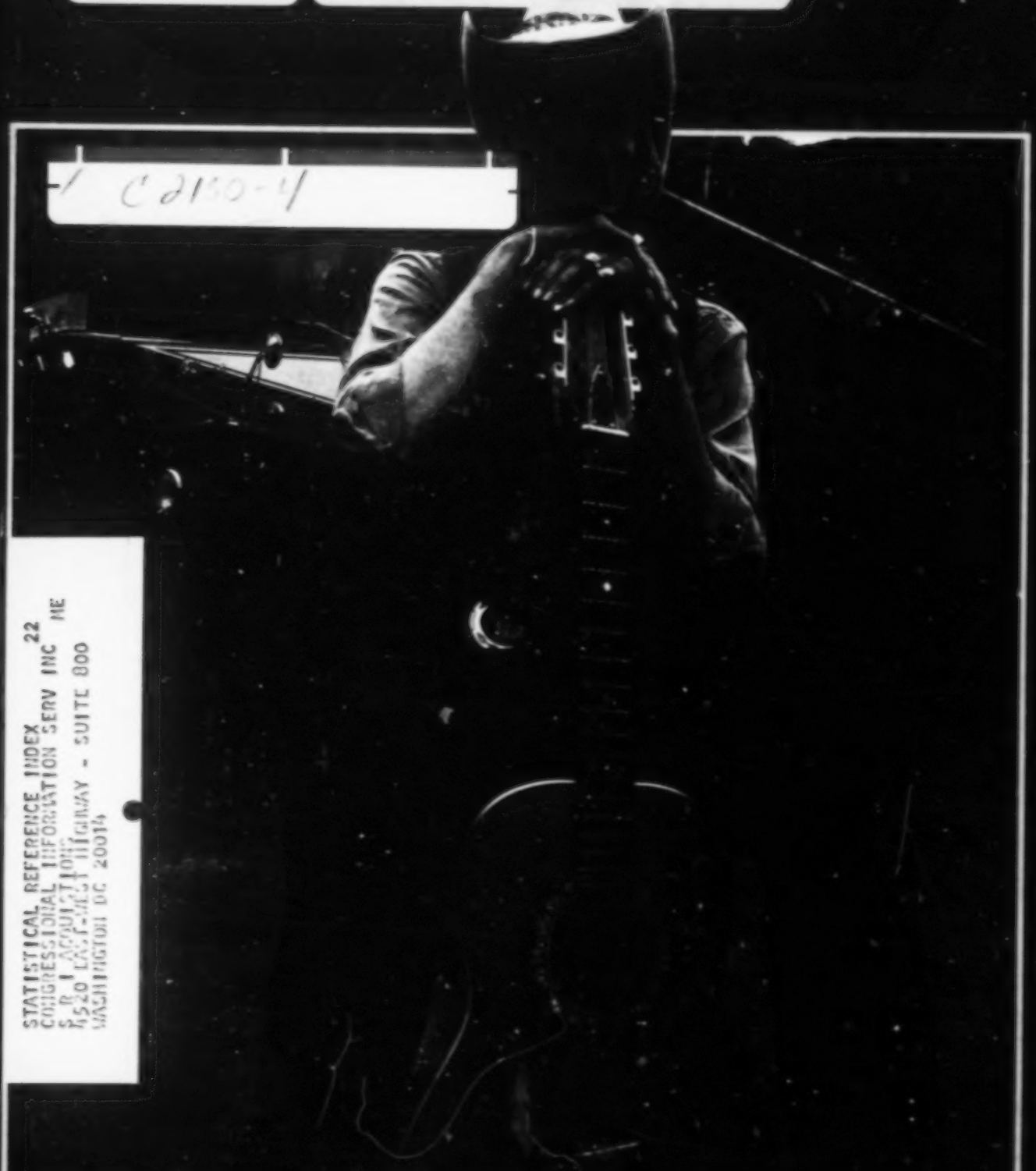

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1981 TRUCK FACTORY SALES BY GVW

GVW Groupings		Chevrolet	GMC	Chrysler	Ford	Freightliner	International	Jeep Corp.	Kenworth	Mack	Mercedes-Benz	Peterbilt	Volkswagen of America	White†	Others	Total Trucks
Under 6,000 lbs.	July-81	19,370	3,312	299	10,225	—	—	4,333	—	—	—	—	3,862	—	—	41,401
	7 Mos.-81	184,173	37,308	2,069	88,002	—	—	22,709	—	—	—	—	25,844	—	—	360,105
6,001-10,000 lbs.	July-81	16,522	5,432	6,197	24,379	—	115	1,452	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	53,097
	7 Mos.-81	131,719	32,292	41,361	227,491	—	836	13,700	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	447,401
10,001-14,000 lbs.	July-81	—	—	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	244	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	244
14,001-16,000 lbs.	July-81	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	11
16,001-19,500 lbs.	July-81	40	168	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	208
	7 Mos.-81	479	741	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	1,229
19,501-26,000 lbs.	July-81	1,583	1,841	—	431	—	700	—	—	—	98	—	—	—	—	4,653
	7 Mos.-81	10,963	10,779	—	5,731	—	5,604	—	—	—	736	—	—	—	—	33,815
26,001-33,000 lbs.	July-81	—	15	—	1,625	—	1,104	—	—	—	34	—	—	—	—	2,778
	7 Mos.-81	—	485	—	14,387	—	10,030	—	—	—	262	—	—	—	—	25,164
33,001 lbs. and over	July-81	179	1,246	—	703	561	1,519	—	649	1,307	—	503	—	287	131	7,085
	7 Mos.-81	952	7,301	—	5,215	5,509	14,051	—	6,718	9,803	—	4,127	—	2,833	1,130	57,639
Total	July-81	37,694	11,014	6,517	37,363	561	3,438	5,785	649	1,307	132	503	3,862	287	131	109,243
	7 Mos.-81	328,286	88,906	43,674	340,826	5,509	30,521	36,409	6,718	9,803	1,000	4,127	25,844	2,833	1,152	925,608
	7 Mos.-80	278,840	79,961	78,178	276,711	6,460	22,397	21,273	6,071	12,287	—	4,169	18,003	4,176	1,846	810,372
Trucks with Diesel Engines*	7 Mos.-81	6,681	14,790	—	13,630	5,509	25,285	—	6,718	9,803	1,000	4,127	19,978	2,833	1,130‡	111,484
	7 Mos.-80	26,324	22,971	—	20,333	6,460	15,791	—	6,071	12,287	—	4,169	10,249	4,176	1,091	129,922

Source: Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Assoc.
*Included in totals, but excludes school bus chassis and other buses. †Includes Autocar and Western Star.
‡Includes 716 AM General. "Others" includes Crane Carrier, Divco, Duplex, Hendrickson, Oshkosh and Walter.

TRUCKS WITH DIESEL ENGINES

(Factory Sales from U.S. Plants by Make and GVW)

Make of Truck		6,000 lbs and less	6001-10,000 lbs	10,501-26,000 lbs	26,001-33,000 lbs	33,001 lbs and over	Total
Chevrolet	July-81	116	—	591	—	94	801
	7 Mos.-81	3,157	—	3,007	—	517	6,681
Ford	July-81	—	—	64	793	684	1,541
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	814	7,792	5,024	13,630
Freightliner	July-81	—	—	—	—	561	561
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	—	—	5,509	5,509
GMC	July-81	39	—	999	15	1,208	2,261
	7 Mos.-81	2,293	—	4,942	479	7,078	14,790
International	July-81	—	64	379	962	1,519	2,924
	7 Mos.-81	—	265	2,509	8,471	14,040	25,285
Kenworth	July-81	—	—	—	—	649	649
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	—	—	6,718	6,718
Mack	July-81	—	—	—	—	1,307	1,307
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	—	—	9,803	9,803
Peterbilt	July-81	—	—	—	—	503	503
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	—	—	4,127	4,127
Volkswagen	July-81	3,328	—	—	—	—	3,328
	7 Mos.-81	19,978	—	—	—	—	19,978
White	July-81	—	—	—	—	161	161
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	—	—	2,833	2,833
Others	July-81	—	—	98*	34*	131	263
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	738*	262*	1,130	2,130
Total	July-81	3,483	64	2,131	1,804	6,817	14,299
	7 Mos.-81	25,428	265	12,010	17,004	56,777	111,484
	July-80	9,903	358	1,240	2,528	7,840	21,869
	7 Mos.-80	44,509	1,897	5,172	17,421	60,923	129,922

Source: Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Assoc.
Reporting firms do not represent entire industry. *Mercedes-Benz.

TRUCK RETAIL SALES AND STOCKS—U.S.

New Trucks by Gross Vehicle Weight Groups	Sales Aug. 1981	Sales Calendar Year 1981	Stock End of Month
Light Duty			
0-6,000 lbs.	63,858	637,169	251,312
6,001-10,000 lbs.	76,162	606,956	167,181
10,001-14,000 lbs.	21	340	78
Medium Duty			
14,001-16,000 lbs.	3	11	—
16,001-19,500 lbs.	288	1,584	299
19,501-26,000 lbs.	6,474	53,207	21,674
Heavy Duty			
26,001-33,000 lbs.	3,850	36,279	14,308
33,001 lbs. and over	8,313	69,139	25,544
Totals—1981	178,969	1,404,685	480,396
Totals—1980	173,457	1,583,685	479,298

Source: Motor Vehicle Mfrs. Assoc.

1981 TRUCK TRAILER SHIPMENTS

Type of Trailer	July 1981	7 Months—1981 Units	7 Months—1981 Value*
Vans	4,790	38,904	499,597
Tanks	548	4,280	126,404
Bulk commodity and dry material	229	1,227	32,887
Pole and logging	59	657	6,991
Platform	1,825	12,353	106,186
Low-bed heavy haulers (over 10 tons)	623	4,813	80,598
Dump trailers and dump chassis	586	3,956	57,620
Auto transports	19	97	2,435
All other tractors and chassis	116	862	9,371
Total—Complete tractors and chassis	8,795	67,149	902,089
Detachable trailers†	459	5,230	47,021
Detachable trailers chassis†	848	8,983	43,795
Dollies or converter gear	602	3,829	16,311

Source: Industry Division, Bureau of the Census.
†Sold separately.
*Add 000.

DIESEL ENGINES USED IN TRUCKS

(Factory Sales from U.S. Plants including exports to Canada and other exports)

Make of Truck		Cat.	Cummins	Detroit Diesel	International	Mack	All Others	Total
Chevrolet	July-81	154	—	615	—	—	126	895
	7 Mos.-81	1,219	96	2,562	—	—	3,668	7,545
Ford	July-81	613	442	939	—	—	—	1,994
	7 Mos.-81	6,636	3,548	6,466	—	—	—	16,650
Freightliner	July-81	82	300	193	—	—	—	575
	7 Mos.-81	826	3,812	938	—	—	—	5,576
GMC	July-81	498	544	1,693	—	—	40	2,775
	7 Mos.-81	2,969	3,245	7,972	—	—	2,322	16,508
International	July-81	74	1,555	427	1,496	—	65	3,617
	7 Mos.-81	1,737	13,562	3,147	11,887	—	322	30,655
Jeep Corp.	July-81	—	—	—	—	—	826	826
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	—	—	—	*2,774	*2,774
Kenworth	July-81	155	524	83	—	—	—	762
	7 Mos.-31	1,482	4,743	1,088	—	—	—	7,313
Mack	July-81	9	62	29	—	1,528	9	1,637
	7 Mos.-81	274	507	213	—	10,976	107	12,077
Peterbilt	July-81	203	280	52	—	—	—	535
	7 Mos.-81	1,510	2,561	409	—	—	—	4,480
Volkswagen	July-81	—	—	—	—	—	3,487	3,487
	7 Mos.-81	—	—	—	—	—	20,657	20,657
White	July-81	17	164	39	—	—	—	220
	7 Mos.-81	404	1,998	782	—	—	—	3,184
Others	July-81	38	29	76	—	—	132	275
	7 Mos.-81	311	359	519	—	—	†1,000	2,189
Totals	July-81	1,843	3,900	4,146	1,496	1,528	4,687	17,600
	7 Mos.-81	17,368	34,431	24,096	11,887	10,976	30,850	129,608
	July-80	2,198	5,019	3,435	1,738	1,403	10,496	24,289
	7 Mos.-80	19,655	33,306	25,181	5,196	13,256	50,248	146,842

Source: Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Assoc. Reporting firms do not represent entire industry.
*Isuzu. †Mercedes-Benz.